THE HONOURABLE SHRI JUSTICE R.SUBHASH REDDY

WRIT PETITION No. 6647 OF 1998

Dated 19th January, 2007

Between:

J.Muni Raja and others

… Petitioners

And

Sri Kalahasthiswara Swamy Devasthanam,
Sri Kalahasti, Chittoor District, represented
by its Executive Officer and another.

…Respondents

ORAL ORDER:

In this writ petition, the petitioners who are lessees of the shops in the shopping complex of Sri Kalahasthiswara Swamy Devasthanam, Sri Kalahasthi, Chittoor District are seeking directions by way of a writ of mandamus to the respondents to renew the lease in favour of the petitioners on enhanced terms on par with the lessees of Shop Nos. 6 and 7.

Counter affidavit is filed on behalf of the respondents stating that so far as the petitioners are concerned, they are not promptly paying the rents and some of them have also sublet to the third parties, and, in any event, as per the rules framed under A.P. Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Act, 1987 in G.O.Ms.No.866, dated 8.8.2003, all the leases/licences shall be made by public auction.

In that view of the matter, I do not find any ground for grant of directions for renewal of lease in favour of the petitioners. The writ petition, which is devoid of merits, is dismissed. No costs.

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19.1.2007

R.SUBHASH REDDY, J.

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